
 National Transportation Safety Board PRELIMINARY REPORT AVIATION		NTSB ID: DCA08RA095		Most Critical Injury:	
		Occurrence Date: 09/01/2008		Investigated By: Foreign	
		Occurrence Type: Accident			
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place Bukavu		State	Zip Code	Local Time 1510	Time Zone UTC
Aircraft Information					
Registration Number		Aircraft Manufacturer		Model/Series Number	
Type of Aircraft:			Amateur Built Aircraft?		
Injury Summary:	Fatal 17	Serious	Minor		None
Revenue Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>On September 1, 2008 about 1510 UTC, ZS-OLD, Beech 1900C, operated by Air Serv International, collided with high terrain during approach to Bukavu, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The pilot, copilot, and 15 passengers were fatally injured. The airplane was destroyed. There was fire. The last departure point was Kisangani, DRC.</p> <p>The investigation is being conducted by the Ministry of Transport of the DRC. The US Accredited Representative is Dennis Jones, NTSB, Washington, D.C.</p>					
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Accident Information					
Aircraft Damage: Destroyed			Accident Occurred During:		
Crew	Name	Certificate No.	Injury		
Pilot	On File				
2					
3					
4					
5					
6					
Operator Information					
Name Air Serv International		Operator Designator Code		Doing Business As	
Street Address		City Warrington		State VA	Zip Code
-Type of Certificate(s) Held: None					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):					
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation					
Type of Flight Operations Conducted: Other Work Use					
Flight Plan/Itinerary					
Type of Flight Plan Filed: IFR					
Last Departure Point		State	Airport Identifier		
Kisangani					
Destination		State	Airport Identifier		
Same as Accident/Incident Location			FZMA		
Weather Information					
Investigator's Source:		Facility ID:		Observation Time (Local):	
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition:			Ft. AGL		
Lowest Ceiling:		Ft. AGL	Visibility:	SM	Altimeter: "Hg
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Temperature: °C	Dew Point: °C	Wind Direction:	
Wind Speed: Kts.	Gusts: Kts.	Weather Conditions at Accident Site:	

Notification From State Department		Date
FAA District Office/Coordinator	Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) Dennis L. Jones	